

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner has rejected claim 33 under 35 USC § 102 (e) as being anticipated by Tanaka et al. Previously presented claim 33 claims a method for displaying live continuous video, comprising:

encoding video into a low-resolution low-bit rate stream and a higher-resolution higher-bit rate stream; and

performing at least one of the following actions:

displaying a single image of the video using the higher-resolution higher-bit rate stream;

displaying a 2x2 array of the video using the higher-resolution higher-bit rate stream;

displaying a 3x3 array of the video using the low-resolution low-bit rate stream;

displaying a 4x4 array of the video using the low-resolution low-bit rate stream.

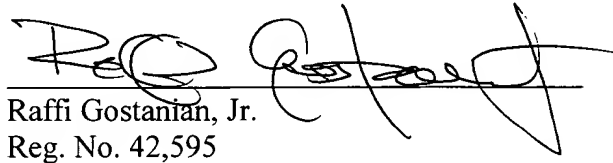
Applicants do not believe that Tanaka teaches, suggests, or differentiates between:

- a) encoding video into two distinct bit-rate streams: a *low-resolution low-bit rate* stream AND a *higher-resolution higher-bit rate* stream;
- b) displaying a 2x2 array using the *low-resolution low-bit rate* stream; and
- c) displaying a 3x3 array using the *higher-resolution higher-bit rate* stream.

Neither Tanaka, nor any of the art of record teaches or suggests, whether taken singly or in combination, the limitations denoted above. As such, it is respectfully requested that the rejections to the claim be withdrawn and the case be passed to issue.

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful to the allowance of this application, a telephone conference is respectfully requested.

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